



ECOLOGICAL ADVICE SERVICE

TO: Katherine Parkin
FROM: Helen Forster
DATE: 29 August 2025
SUBJECT: Brookers Farm Luddesdown 20250787

The following is provided by Kent County Council's Ecological Advice Service (KCC EAS) for Local Planning Authorities. It is independent, professional advice and is not a comment/position on the application from the county council. It is intended to advise the relevant planning officer(s) on the potential ecological impacts of the planning application and if sufficient/appropriate ecological information has been provided.

Any additional information, queries or comments on this advice that the applicant or other interested parties may have must be directed in every instance to the planning officer, who will seek input from the EAS where appropriate and necessary.

Condition 8 states: *Notwithstanding the details shown on the approved plans, submitted documents and application form, before the development as hereby permitted is brought into use, a soft landscaping scheme shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority; the development thereafter shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details and retained thereafter. Any trees or plants that die, are damaged, removed or become diseased within five years from the implementation of the soft landscaping scheme shall be replaced with trees or plants of a similar size and species during the next available planting season.*

The submitted landscaping plan does not include any/very few native species but it has included species which will benefit pollinators. As such we are satisfied that the proposed landscaping can benefit biodiversity.

If you have any queries regarding our comments, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Helen Forster MCIEEM
Biodiversity Officer

This response was submitted following consideration of the following documents:

- Landscaping Plan;